

YOUR GUIDE TO THE WORLD OF SONIC THE COMIC (STC) & SEGA. PRESENTED BY YOUR HOST, MEGADROID.

# GONTA GOVE

Hey, Boomers!

Welcome to the new-look STC and a new-look

me! That's right, chums and chumesses, after two
long years the humes-who-think-they're-in-charge decided I
needed a major upgrade. It may be Megadroid v2.0 on the outside,
but it's still the same old me on the inside!

Thanks to everyone who shelled out an extra five pee for this issue. I know you'll find it more than worth it. Apart from a new look to the cover and all our fab features (and me!) you've got an STC Pad to scribble your random thoughts on, a sensational compo to win a Mega Drive 32X and Knuckles' new Chaotix game, plus news of the Sega Saturn - now on sale. Techno Boomers will get a serious charge from STC's new e-mail system, Speedtrack (check out this page for more details).

As if that wasn't enough there's all the regular STC mega-stars - Sonic, Knuckles, Sparkster and Kid Chameleon in sizzling stories, plus there's a psychedelic Super Sonic Pin-up!

Things get even more exciting next issue. There's free STC Transfers and three brand new stories starting, including the first ever team-up of Knuckles and Tails!

Get your orders in now for STC ... the comic that's so hot it's cool!



#### STC GETS WIRED!

Introducing a great new way of keeping in touch with your favourite comic - STC Speedtrack!

Now your messages can be sent to us faster than Sonic himself! All you need is access to a computer, a modem and an e-mail service. Maybe you know a friendly adult (even your parents!) with these. Maybe your school has access to something like the Internet (what a great class project!). Whatever, type this e-mail address into your software -

#### stc@richb.demon.co.uk

Next, type your letter or message and send it - it's as easy as that! No stamp and no slogging down to the PO. The best messages will appear in Speedlines and win a prize!

We regret that STC Speedtrack cannot be used to answer technical enquries or for help with games (though you can send your questions for Q Zone to it). STC Speedtrack is not associated with Sega.

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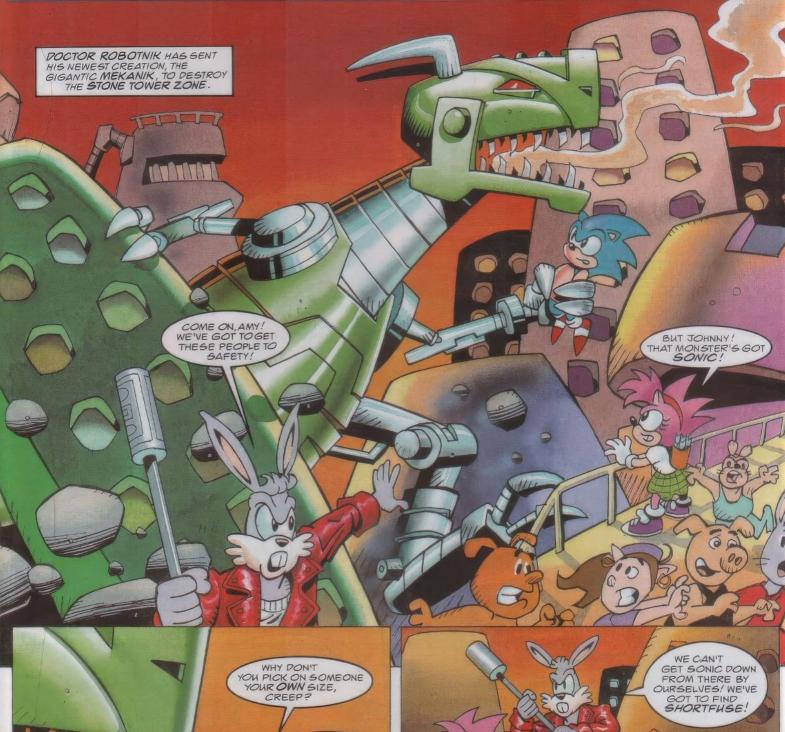
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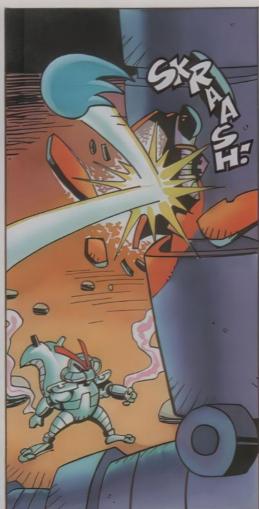


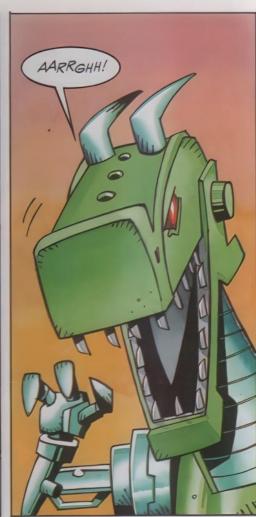








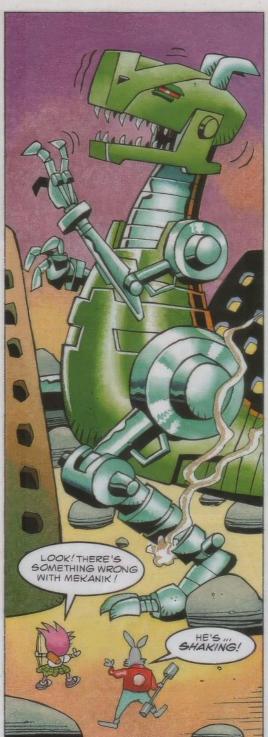


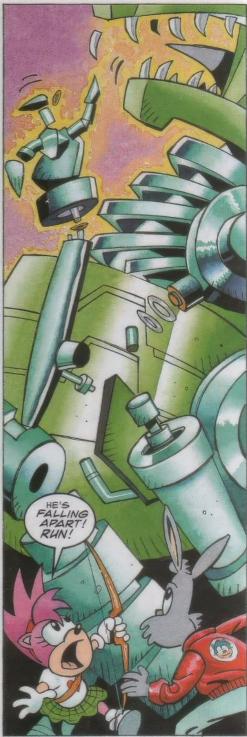
















WHAT IS PROJECT BRUTUS? STAY TUNED, BOOMERS, AND YOU'LL FIND OUT III SOON!





## SUMMER SATURN SENSATION!

SEGA'S



### NEW DEALS FOR MD, MCD AND 32X

The Saturn is finally here! Sega stunned the gaming world last month by launching the long-awaited 32-bit

super system in its official UK version. They managed to keep the launch a closely-guarded secret until the last minute with most people expecting an



Autumn arrival. But, from July 8th, the Sega Saturn was available to buy across the counter for £399.99. Initially, supplies of the wonder machine will be limited but expect a big build-up in time for the allimportant Christmas market.

Games also are appearing slowly. The high-rep titles Virtua Fighter and Daytona USA are out now; Clockwork Knight, Panzer Dragoon and Sega International Victory Goal will be along soon. Again, expect a blizzard of games in time for Christmas.

To control these games the Sega Saturn features one of the most comprehensive ranges of peripherals seen on any console. Feast your eyes on the pictures on this page for a taste of ultimate control!





#### MEGA DEALS

As if the news of the Saturn wasn't enough Sega also announced some amazing new deals for the Mega Drive range:



MEGA DRIVE
Now down to
£99.99 with a
special
cartridge
containing six
of Sega's
classic games
(Revenge of
Shinobi, Golden
Axe, Super Hang
On, Streets of
Rage, Columns
and World Cup
Italia '90).

#### MEGA CD

New pack with *Eternal Champions CD*. No price available as of going to press.

#### MEGA DRIVE 32X

New pack with *Chaotix* game, around £150.00. See the Comp below for details on how to win one of these packs.



### MEGA COMPO! WIN! A SEGA MEGA DRIVE 32X

PLUS KNUCKLES' OWN GAME ...





Longing for that much needed power boost but your piggy bank's strapped for cash? Want to know how to get your hands on a Sega Mega Drive 32X? Well, thanks to those

generous humes at Sega, STC could be your very own fairy godmother as we not only have one up for grabs, but we're also giving away a copy of the **Knuckles Chaotix** game.

All you have to do is answer the following question:-

Q: What is the name of the Chaotix character shown below?

Write your answers on a postcard or sealed down empty envelope, with your name and address (clearly marked) and post it to:-

MEGA DRIVE 32X COMPO, SONIC THE COMIC, 25-31 TAVISTOCK PLACE, LONDON WCIH 9SU.



All entries to arrive no later than the closing date of Friday, 25 August 1995.

The first correct entry pulled from the STC blow-up paddling pool will be the proud owner of a Mega Drive 32X plus Chaotix game.

# VOUR GUIDE TO NEW GAMES RELEASES FOR THE SEGA SYSTEMS

STC'S RATING SYSTEM
UNDER 40 = YAWNSVILLE

A0-70 = NORMALSVILLE 70-80 = FUN CITY 80-90 = BIG TIME CITY OVER 90 = MEGA CITY

### STREET RACER

Reviewed By David Gibbon



GAME TYPE: RACING PLAYERS: 1-4

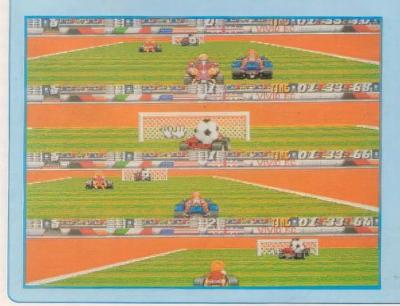
PUBLISHER: UBI SOFT PRICE: £44.99

In my opinion, **Street Racer** is one of the best racing games the Mega Drive has ever seen. It's better than *Micro Machines 2* and Nintendos (who?) *Super Mario Kart*, plus it features plenty of options including three different games and a secret bonus game.

You begin by selecting either one or two players, but if you have an adaptor up to four players can race using an impressive four-player split-screen game; this is the first Mega Drive game ever to implement such a feature and it's superb!

Street Racer offers several modes of play including Practice, Head-to-Head, Championship, Rumble and Soccer. The Soccer game allows you to play a simple but fun 3D football game with each player using a car to try and score. There are even three different types of playing surface, including Indoor, Outdoor and Ice.

The main game features eight different drivers each with various abilities. You are ready to play once your





driver has been selected. You start off playing for the Silver Cup and continue racing on up to 24 tracks. Each track is very well designed and features themes ranging from a desert to a ghostly transylvanian road. Graphically, **Street Racer** is simply stunning. The speed at which the road moves is really impressive and the animation is almost perfect and needs to be seen!

Folk doubted that a 3D racing game would be possible on a Mega Drive, but Vivid Images (the programmers) have proved everyone wrong. This game has to be a candidate for the best ever Mega Drive racing game!

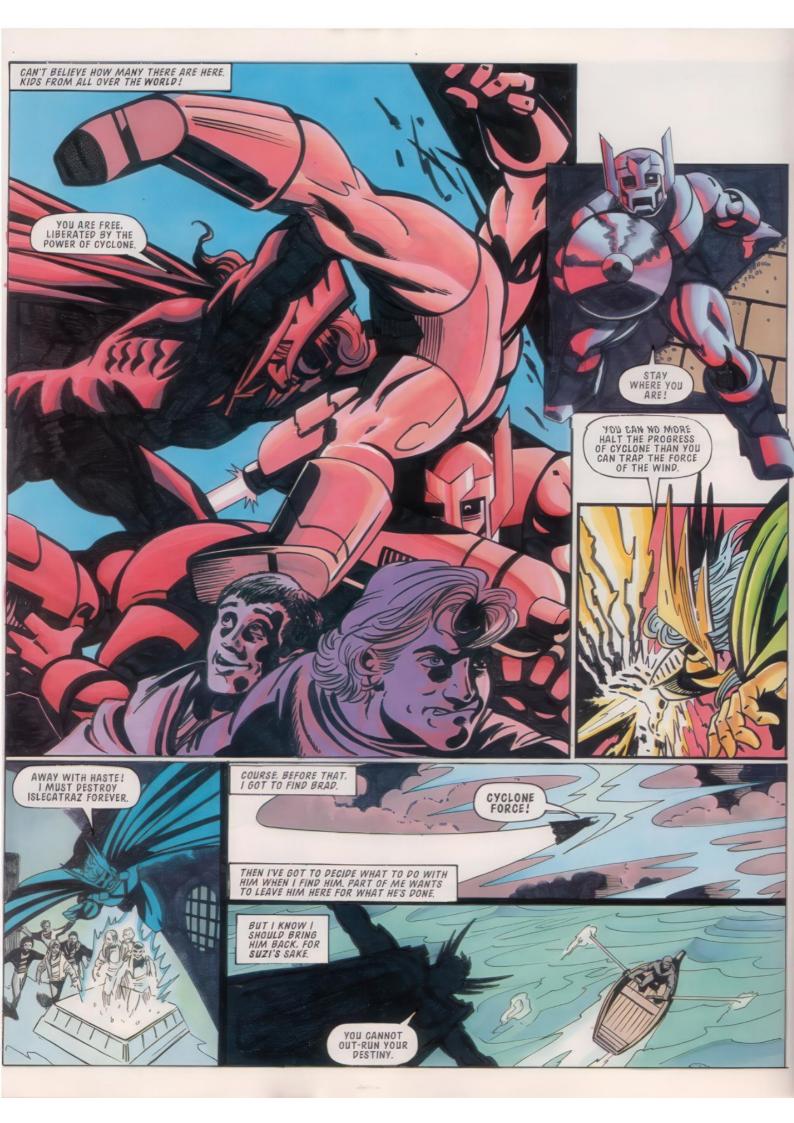








SPOTTED A TELEPAD IN BRAD'S QUARTERS. IF I CAN GET THE KIDS TO IT. I CAN LEAD THEM BACK TO REALITY.









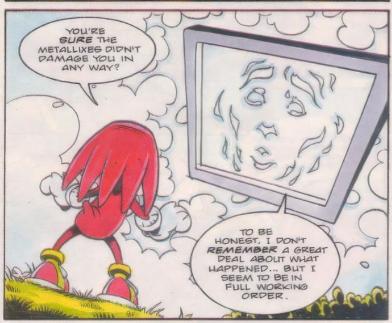










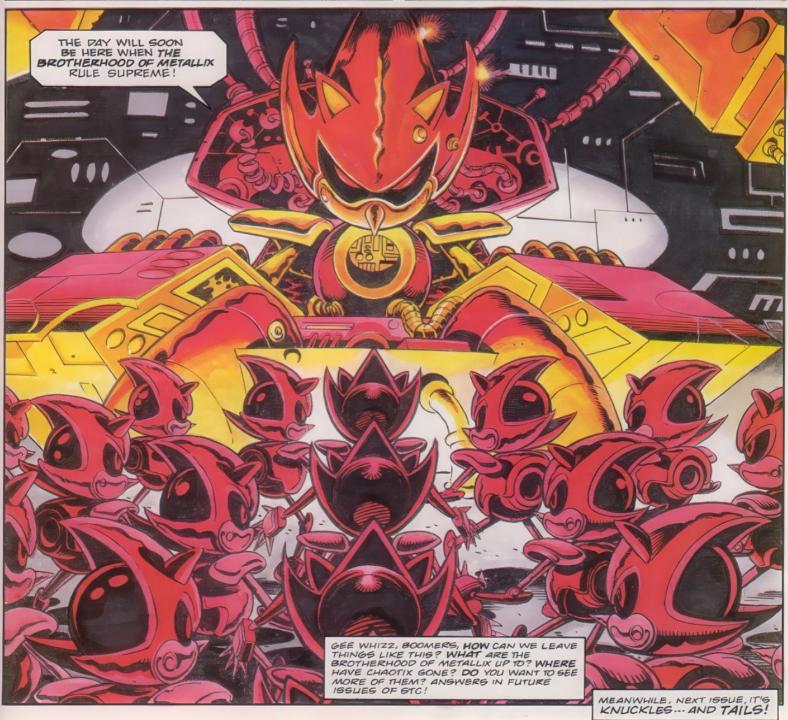














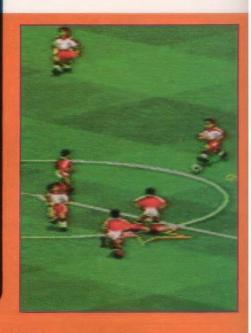
### ZONE

Q IS FOR QUESTION. Q IS FOR QUERY.

G IS FOR QUANDARY.

IF YOU WANT TO ENTER THE Q ZONE FOR HINTS, TIPS AND HELP WITH YOUR FAVOURITE SEGA GAMES, DROP A LINE TO:

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### FIFA

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#### SPECIAL Part 1

Chart topping football game, FIFA '95 has proved a real winner with STC Boomers. In this three-part special, David Gibbon supplies handy tips and advice on getting through the toughest of matches.

#### SELECTING YOUR FORMATION

Putting your team into the right formation is an important tactic before you even attempt to kick a ball. So get your team fighting fit and ready to score

#### 3-5-2

A risky option as this selection will leave you with a very weak defence. Despite giving your team a powerful attack force, enabing you to run through the midfield, it can leave you exposed to long balls from the opposition. With a limited defence, that can only result in a goal ending up in the back of YOUR net! An option that should only be used when the opposing team have a terrible attack.

#### 4-4-2

The most widely used formation available. Teams from Manchester United to good old Sunderland (the best team in the world, of course!) frequently choose 4-4-2 which has a number of distinct advantages. It gives you safety in defence, two wingers and two strikers up front to help score any on-coming long balls. Definitely a good all-rounder which can be used for most average to above average sides. Especially useful for a side that has a good overall game and who like to pass the ball more than using the long ball tactic.

#### 4-2-4

Used for long ball play when your team has a good defence, good attack, but a poor midfield. This option





players. The Sweeper option fills your defence with players who will try and sweep the ball forward by taking it off the opposing attack, passing it to a winger and releasing it to one of your strikers.

#### TOP TIP

Remember that Simulation reproduces the effects of tired legs on all of the players and in doing so their shooting and passing ability is impaired. Action does the exact opposite of Simulation and players stay 100%



fit throughout
each game.
Choose the one
that suits you,
but keep in mind
that either option
will not only
effect your
players, but your
opponents as
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means spending most of your time kicking the ball up to your strikers and hoping for a lucky break. Can be a very useful formation, but is advisable only when you have a weak midfield.

#### 4-3-3

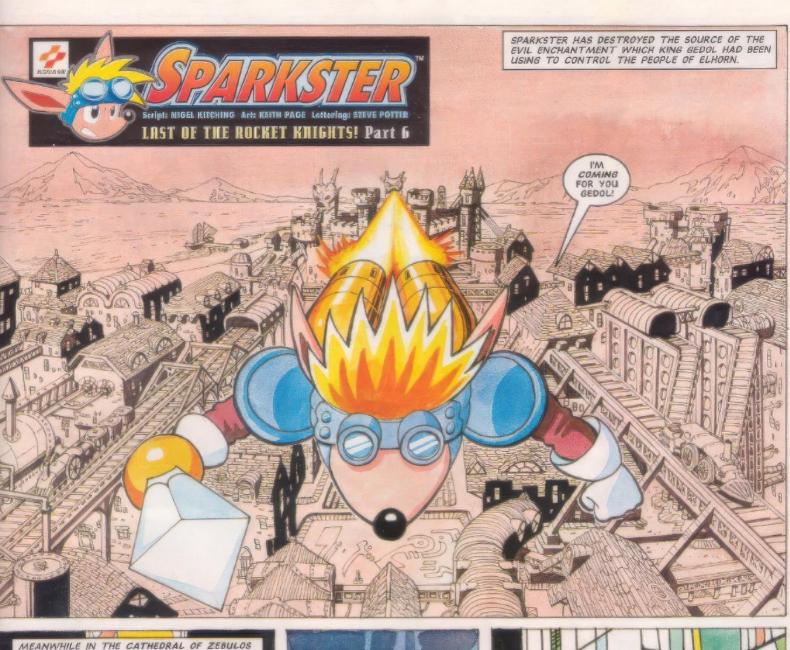
Another very popular formation with Premiership teams. This system has a safe defence, a good midfield and a very good attack. If you've got three quality strikers in your team then this is the formation for you. Play the ball down the wings and play a 1-2 with your strikers to try and score a goal. Similar to using 4-4-2 with the added advantage of an extra striker (if you have one available, that is!).

#### SWEEPER

A system often used by professional sides, but is only advisable when you've got a weak defence with slow



NEXT ISSUE: FIFA '95 PART 2.























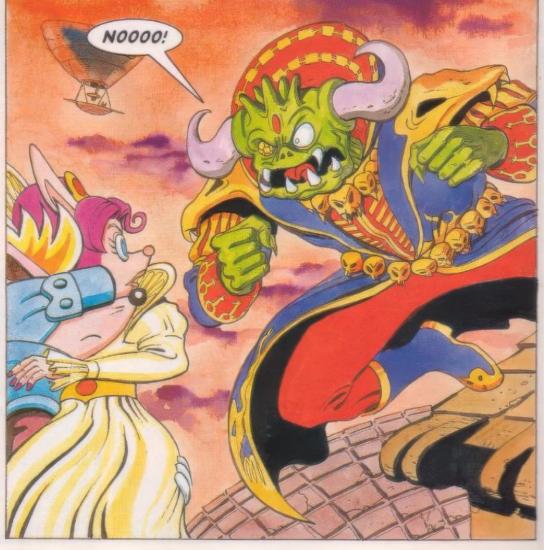
















#### FUN IN THE 'POOL!

Dear STC,

I won the Sony Psygnosis/Flink competition where my dad and I spent a fantastic VIP day in Liverpool. We were treated to a tour round the offices learning how computer games are made. I was given a huge bag of games, t-shirts, posters and CD's. They even took a photo of me, scanned it into the computer and added the graphics (see right). Thanks everyone!

Ben Tucker, Reading, Berks. Sonic Stationery Winner.



Well Ben, as the old song goes: Sony, Sony. So good to me ...

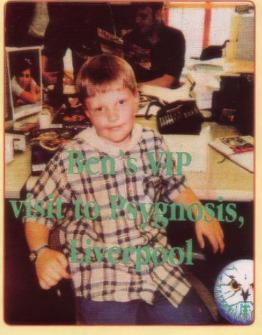
#### TELLING TAILS

Dear STC,

Would you ever consider a Tails origin story, explaining to us Boomers how he got his two tails? Michael Freer, Fitzwilliam, W Yorks.

Michael Freer, Fitzwilliam, W Yorks. Sonic Stationery Winner.

Lend me your ears (or should it be eyes) Michael ... Tails comes from the Nameless Zone, which he left to seek his fortune in the Emerald Hill Zone; where he met Sonic (see STC 27). The two-tailed mystery will be revealed in a future issue of STC ... Meanwhile, Tails teams up with Knuckles for the start of something b-i-g, next issue. Don't miss it!



#### IN THE SWIM!

Dear STC.

When is Ecco the Dolphin going to return? The last series ended with the words "Swim with Ecco again in STC soon!" Surely a year and a bit is a long enough wait.

J. Coleman, Bramley, Surrey. Sonic Stationery Winner.



Dig out your cossie J.C., Ecco returns in STC 60 for a brand new series.



Send your e-mail messages to:
stc@richb.demon.co.uk
Be sure to include your snail mail (postal)
address if you want to win a prize!



Paul Kitching, Yarm, Cleveland. MD owner. Sonic Stationery Winner.

Everything printed in Speedlines wins one of these Highgrove Stationery sets, comprising of a Sonic Organiser and Tin (with three pencils). Boomers will find this an essential accessory to organising those important events in life.



Prizes to be despatched within approximately 20 days of publication. If you haven's received your prize after that time, please ask for Helen Walter on 0171 344 6400.

The Highgrove Stationery set is just part of a range of Sonic products available from most retail stationers.



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